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SUBJ: PRESIDENT SHUFFLES CABINET AGAIN

REF: NIAMEY 1804

1. IN WAKE OF PRESIDENT'S RECENTLY EXPRESSED DISATISX  
FACTION WITH INERTIA IN MUCH OF GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY,  
GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIOS HAVE AGAIN BEEN REDISTRIBUTED.  
ANNOUNCEMENT APPEARS TO ALSO REFLEIH IN ASES IN PRESTIGE  
AND POWER FOR SMC MEMBERS GENERALLY CONSIDERED AMONG  
KOUNTCHE'S CLOSEST COLLABORATORS. MOST SIGNIFICANT  
CHANGES INCVDE: MOVEMENT OF CLOSE KOUNTCHE ASSOCIATE  
MAJOR IDRISSE AROUNA TO EDUCATION MINISTRY JUST PRIOR TO  
EXPECTED FAR-REACHING REFORM OF COUNTRY'S EDUCATION  
SYSTEM; TRANSFER OF GOVERNMENT'S MOST COMPETENT CIVILIAN  
ANNOU MAHAMAN TO KEY STATE SECRETARIAT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND  
PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO TAKE BACK INTERIOR MINISTRY.  
THIS LATTER CHANGE IS APPARENTLY ATTEMPT BY PRESIDENT  
TO KEEP CLOSER REIN ON PREFETS AND SOUSPREFETS WITH WHOM  
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HE HAS BEEN VERY DISAPPOINTED OF LATE AND SEVERAL OF

WHOM HE HAS RECENTLY FIRED ON THE SPOT.

2. TIME REQUIRED TO SORT OUT CHANGES WILL RESULT IN DELAYS IN MEETINGS BETWEEN RDO AND GON OFFICIALS NOTABLY FOR PLANNING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (JUNE 3 APPOINTMENT WITH MOUNKAILA CANCELLED) AND RURAL HEALTH MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. (JUNE 4 MEETING WITH DR. WRIGHT ALSO CANCELLED). CND APPROVAL OF THREE YEAR PLAN WILL UNDOUBTEDLY ALSO BE FURTHER DELAYED. IN VIEW ABOVE, TIMETABLE SET FORTH REFTEL NO LONGER APPLICABLE.

3. NEW GOVERNMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

LT. COL. SEYNI KOUNTCHE  
PRESIDENT OF SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL, CHIEF OF STATE,  
MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR  
MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

CHEF DE BATAILLON SANI SOUNA SIDO  
MINISTER OF STATE CHARGED WITH DEVELOPMENT  
MINISTER OF MINES AND HYDROLOGY

COLONEL HENRY YACOUBA DUPUIS  
MINISTER OF JUSTICE  
MINISTER OF POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

CHEF DE BATAILLON IDRISSE AROUNA  
MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

CHEF DE BATAILLON SORY MAMADOU DIALLO  
MINISTER OF PUBLIC FUNCTION AND WORK

INTENDANT MILITAIRE MOUSSA TONDI  
MINISTER OF FINANCES

CHEF DE BATAILLON MOUSSA SALA  
MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS, TRANSPORT AND URBANISM

CAPTAIN MOUMOUNI DJERMAKOYE ADAMOU  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION  
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CAPTAIN BAYERDFMOUSSA  
MINISTER OF RURAL ECONOMY AND CLIMATE

CAPTAIN BOULAMA MANGA  
MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

ALOU HAROUNA

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE INTERIOR

ANNOU MAHAMAN

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEVELOPMENT

MOUNKAILA AROUNA

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION

ALFIDJA ABDERRAHMANE

SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE PRESIDENCY CHARGED WITH  
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, DOMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

GARBA SIDIKOU

SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE PRESIDENCY CHARGED WITH  
YOUTH, SPORTS AND CULTURE

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